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Memorandum

To: Montgomery College Colleagues

From: Dr. Deidre Price, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs/College Provost

Office of Academic Affairs

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Montgomery College's 2024 Commencement will be Friday, May 17, 2024, at 10:30 a.m. on the Rockville Campus Athletic Field under the large tent. The commencement committee, which includes collegewide representation, is working to create a memorable and auspicious occasion to celebrate the success of our students.

## Planning for Commencement

To enhance the program and shorten the ceremony, the committee will make several adjustments as follows:

- **Procession:** Changes that will be shared closer to the ceremony will be made to how graduating students and faculty/staff process into the tent;
- **Honorary degrees:** Recipients will be recognized at other events than Commencement and a call for nominations will be made shortly:
- Flow of students across the stage: Changes will be made to ensure that students are crossing the stage, receiving their diplomas, and having their photographs taken at a quicker pace; and
- Reception and photo opportunities: There will be light refreshments and multiple photo opportunities for graduates and their guests in parking lot 3.

## **Guest Tickets and Live Stream**

As with last year's commencement, graduates will have the opportunity to claim two guest tickets. One additional guest ticket may become available in April, which will be on a first-come, first-served basis until all available tickets are claimed. In March, graduates will receive instructions on how to claim guest tickets. Graduating students may also invite additional guests to watch the ceremony live stream from the alternate viewing locations: Small Gym (PE137), Robert E. Parilla Performing Arts Center (PAC), and Theatre Arts Arena (TA).

An email with regalia rental information will be sent directly to faculty, staff, and administrators in early March. Additional details will be shared in the coming months. In the meantime, you can find the most up-to-date information on the College's Commencement <u>website</u>. The FAQs have important information for graduating students.

I look forward to my first Montgomery College Commencement and celebrating student success with all of you!